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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of James D. AZZAR
APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PORTIONING FLOWABLE MATERIALS
Assignee:
Our Ref. A8608



Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 29 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and 9 sheets of drawings. Also enclosed is a Small Entity Declaration.

Applicant claims benefit of small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.27.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows (**Small Entity fees apply**):

Total claims	23 - 20	=	3	x	\$9.00	=	\$27.00
Independent claims	5 - 3	=	2	x	\$42.00	=	\$84.00
Base Fee							\$375.00
TOTAL FEE							\$486.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$486.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,
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